



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our 'Welcome to Year 5' session, giving an outline of some of our learning over this term and how to continue to support your child over the year. Please see below a brief outline of this term's learning!

### **General Overview of the Term's Learning**

Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 5:

- **English:** Poetry, stories and recounts. Our guided reading fiction texts are 'The Explorer' and 'Holes'. We will read poems and non-fiction related to our learning in History, Science and Geography.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions.
- **Science:** Pupils will investigate 'Properties of Changes of Materials' and 'Animals including humans'.
- **History/Geography:** Exploring the 'Ancient Greek' time period and Studying the Location of Countries of the World, Including Biomes and Environmental Regions
- **Art/DT:** 'Typography' and our 'Food' unit in DT – with our upcoming visits to Pizza Express.
- **Music:** Our lessons will focus on singing and playing instruments following the Charanga Unit 'Classroom Jazz'.
- **PE:** Pupils will play Tag Rugby and Netball outside and focus on Gymnastics and Dance in the hall.
- **Computing:** This term we will learn about Internet Safety and using search engines, as well as using Scratch for programming music.
- **RE:** In RE we will learn about what is important to Muslims in Britain and Incarnation in Christianity.
- **Lifeskills:** This term we will think about how to 'Keep Healthy'; how to 'Keep Safe'; and our 'Relationship' unit which talks about puberty.
- **French:** We learn about phonetics, the date and 'at the tearoom'.

### **PE Day**

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 5 will be on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports activities.

### **Home learning**

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night for about 10-15 minutes and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling. The children have log-ins for Ed Shed, Times Tables Rock Stars and Maths Whizz to continue to consolidate and support their learning at home, however, it is not mandatory.

### **Healthy Snacks and Hydration**

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. We kindly request that only water is provided in these bottles. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,

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Year 5 Teachers